## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al.,

Debtors.<sup>1</sup>

PROMESA Title III

No. 17 BK 3283-LTS

(Jointly Administered)

# NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF CERTAIN CLAIMS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMS RECONCILIATION

To the Honorable United States District Judge Laura Taylor Swain:

1. On March 12, 2020, the Court entered the *Order (A) Authorizing Administrative Reconciliation Of Claims, (B) Approving Additional Form Of Notice, and (C) Granting Related Relief* [ECF No. 12274] (the "ACR Order"), authorizing the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "Commonwealth"), the Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA"), the Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS"), the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA"), and the Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "Commonwealth") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3283- LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3567- LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3566- LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-4780-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747); and (vi) Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority ("PBA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 19-BK-5523-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3801) (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations).

("<u>PBA</u>," and together with the Commonwealth, HTA, ERS, and PREPA, the "<u>Debtors</u>") to resolve certain Pension/Retiree Claims, Tax Refund Claims, Public Employee Claims, and Grievance Claims (each as defined in the ACR Order) utilizing the Debtors' existing administrative reconciliation processes ("<u>Administrative Claims Reconciliation</u>").

2. In accordance with the terms and conditions of the ACR Order, the Debtors have filed sixteen notices transferring claims into Administrative Claims Reconciliation (as defined in the ACR Order), see First Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 13603] (the "First ACR Transfer Notice"), Second Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 14182] (the "Second ACR Transfer Notice"), Third Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 14785] (the "Third ACR Transfer Notice"), Fourth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 15027] (the "Fourth ACR Transfer Notice"), Fifth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 15086] (the "Fifth ACR Transfer Notice"), Sixth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 15116] (the "Sixth ACR Transfer Notice"), Seventh Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 15534] (the "Seventh ACR Transfer Notice"), Eighth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 15721] (the "Eighth ACR Transfer Notice"), Ninth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 15948] (the "Ninth ACR Transfer Notice"), Tenth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 16259] (the "Tenth ACR Transfer Notice"), Eleventh Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 16514] (the "Eleventh ACR Transfer Notice"), Twelfth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 16677] (the "Twelfth ACR Transfer Notice"), Thirteenth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 16926] (the "Thirteenth ACR Transfer Notice"), Fourteenth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 17128] (the "Fourteenth ACR Transfer Notice"), Fifteenth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 17212] (the "Fifteenth ACR Transfer Notice"), and Sixteenth Notice of Transfer of Claims to Administrative Claims Reconciliation [ECF No. 17320] (the "Sixteenth ACR Transfer Notice") and collectively, the "ACR Transfer Notices"), and have transferred approximately 44,589 claims (collectively, the "ACR Designated Claims"), into Administrative Claims Reconciliation. The ACR Designated Claims will be resolved utilizing the Pension/Retiree Procedures, the Tax Refund Procedures, the Public Employee Procedures, and/or the Grievance Procedures (each as defined in the ACR Order), as set forth in the ACR Transfer Notices.

3. In light of information received from the claimants following the transfer of claims, the Debtors have determined that certain ACR Designated Claims will be most efficiently resolved via omnibus objections. Accordingly, the Debtors hereby remove from the ACR Procedures the claims identified on **Exhibit A** hereto.

Dated: August 25, 2021 San Juan, Puerto Rico Respectfully submitted,

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